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## BOOK NOTICES.

Elementare Theorie der Entstehung der Gezeiten. Von Aloys Müller. 86 pp., and 28 Figures. Verlag von Johann Ambrosius Barth, Leipzig, 1906. (Price, M. 2.40.)

The monograph was suggested by the German edition of Prof. G. H. Darwin's "The Tides and Kindred Phenomena in the Solar System." It presupposes that the student is well grounded in mathematics and physics, gives further development to the theories discussed by Prof. Darwin, treats mathematically the physical problems involved and controverts the theories prevalent in German text books as to the origin of tides. The work is to be commended to teachers of physics.

Boulder Reveries. By W. S. Blatchley. 230 pp., Illustrations from Photographs and Index. The Nature Publishing Co., Indianapolis, 1906-(Price, \$1.10.)

The work of a naturalist who is also State Geologist of Indiana. The book is the outcome of days of leisure spent chiefly in a wooded pasture lot well fitted for acquiring intimate acquaintance with the life, the hues and sounds of nature, with special reference to processes of vegetable growth and with all that flies, walks or crawls in the quiet corner thus observed and studied. The book is well written, is in thorough touch and sympathy with every aspect studied and is calculated to edify and entertain lovers of natural history.

Die Leitfossilien aus dem Pflanzen-und Tierreich in Systematischer Anordnung. Von Dr. Johannes Felix. x and 240 pp., 626 Illustrations, and Index. Veit & Co., Leipzig, 1906. (Price, M. 6.)

The subject of fossils is systematically presented with hundreds of illustrations. The work is especially designed for students in the higher schools, teachers of natural science, and geographers and travellers who may be helped by these brief descriptions and pictures of plant and animal life to recognize those forms which are most important in the study of geology.

The Later Cave-Men. By Katharine Elizabeth Dopp. 197 pp, numerous Illustrations. Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago, 1906. (Price, 45 cents.)

This is the third volume of Dr. Dopp's educational series. It deals with the age of the chase, gives very simply a generalized view of the early progress of the human race, and is designed for the intermediate school grades.

Der Kompass an Bord. Handbuch für Schiffsführer und Schiffsoffiziere. Herausgegeben von der Deutschen Seewarte. viii and 171 pp., Illustrations, and Appendix. L. Friederichsen & Co., Hamburg. 1906. (Price, M. 3.)

This is the second edition of the handbook issued by the German Hydrographic Office for the guidance of mariners in the use of the compass and for the correction of errors due to iron and steel in a vessel and to other influences.